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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FRENCH INTEREST IN NUCLEAR POWER SALES TO SPAIN

REF: STATE 227278; MADRID 7101

1. DURING RECENT CONVERSATION WITH MINISTER OF INDUSTRY I TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE WITH HIM WESTINGHOUSE'S CONCERN THAT BIDDING FOR ESCADRON I AND II NUCLEAR PLANTS WAS BEING REOPENED AND FRENCH FIRM FRAMATOM BEING INVITED TO RESUBMIT ITS BID. HE TOLD ME THAT FRENCH WERE INTERESTED AND HAD BEEN TOLD THAT IF THEIR PRICE WAS COMPETITIVE AND THEIR SECURITY SAFEGUARDS STANDARDS ACCEPTABLE THEIR OFFER WOULD BE CONSIDERED. HE SAID HE DOUBTED THAT FRENCH COULD COMPETE ON EITHER SCORE. HE ASSURED ME THAT THE SPANISH WERE VERY SATISFIED WITH WESTINGHOUSE AND THAT WHATEVER DECISION MIGHT BE REACHED WOULD BE STRICTLY ON BUSINESS GROUNDS AND WITHOUT POLITICAL FAVORITISM OR DISCRIMINATION OF ANY SORT. HE VOLUNTEERED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH ME IF ANY PROBLEMS SHOULD ARISE, BUT HE DID NOT ANTICIPATE ANY.
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